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SPRING SUMMER FALL ?

— ONE IN NORTH —

CWNA's SPRING SHOW was hosted in Loveland by the Fort Collins Coin Club on April 24 and 25. The show was held in the basement of the Loveland Community Building and attracted over one thousand people during the two days. Over 50 exhibits and a dozen dealers provided the primary attractions, with an evening banquet and a large auction rounding out the event. Special show dated envelope with special coin were used as a show sovieners.

A CWNA BOARD meeting held during the show is reported elsewhere in the newsletter.

— ONE IN SOUTH —

THE COLORADO SPRINGS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY held a one day show on Sat. June 5. The reports would indicate most of the attendees enjoyed themselves.

CWNA WHO?

IF YOU CAN NOT CONTACT CWNA officers and/or board write to:

COLORADO-WYOMING
NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
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AIR THAT OPINION----------

— TWO SOON —

ADAMS COUNTY COIN CLUB will hold their sixth annual show at the Malibu Inn, on July 17th and 18th. The show time is 9 to 10 on Sat., 10 to 5 Sun. The Inn is located at 6160 Smith Rd. in Denver. Be sure to include this event on your calendar, since I'm sure you'll enjoy this show if previous years are any indication. For further information contact the chairman Mr. Eldon Howard, 6804 Dover Arvada, Co. 80002.

COLORADO SPRINGS COIN CLUB has annual fall show scheduled for August 28 and 29 at the Quality Motel on 520 N. Murray Blvd.Colorado Springs A special feature is scheduled to be the Billion Dollar exhibit of the Federal Govt. To obtain further info --
Call 303-471-0649 or
Write Mark G. Moyer
P O Box 447
Colorado Springs, Co.
80901

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— HOW TO OBTAIN CWNA CASES —

To reserve the CWNA cases to be used for a show write to L. Hellene Bohler, you'll be sent agreement to sign and return. If this procedure is followed you will be assured of cases for your show. Any transportation arrangements will be the responsibility of your show committee.

— TWO LATER —

COLORADO-WYOMING NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION's fall show will be co-sponsored by LARAMIE and CHEYENNE COIN CLUBS. The show will be a three day aff air on Sept 17,18 and 19th. In addition to many exhibits and other normal events the Federal Government's "Billion Dollar" exhibit is being sch eduled. Final detail will be included in the next issue of the newsletter, and until then please contact the following for information. --

-- Mr. Web Jones
Box 792
Laramie, Wyo. 82070

-- Mr. Wes Zakovich
Box 1861
Cheyenne, Wyo. 82001

THE ROCKY MT. STATES show is to be held on October 22, 23 and 24th. While many details are left to be completed the location is the same as last year, the Ramada Inn South. This annual event undoubtedly will be a very interesting show, prior to the winter numismatic hibernation. For info contact:

-- Mr. Les Bloom
2608 River Drive
Denver, Colorado 80211

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DISCOVERY OF RARE COLLECTOR'S ITEM

Recently, a small quantity of stock certificates were turned up issued by American Express Co. between 1860 and 1864, and hand signed by Henry Wells, president, and Wm G.Fargo, Sec.(founders of the famous Wells Fargo & Co) Signatures of these men are extremely rare, and almost unknown on other documents. Original American Express Co. was formed in March 1850 and the first directors were Henry Wells, Wm G Fargo,John Butterfield, J. Livingston, James Wasson & James McKay. In 1852, 2 years after the formation of the American Express Company, Henry Wells and William Fargo proposed to the board of directors, that the operations be extended to Calif.-and that year more than $60,000,000. gold came out of the California mines, most of it shipped east via sea. As it happened they were voted down by the other directors. Much annoyed at this defeat, they decided at that time to form the Express Co., Wells Fargo, and to start operations in San Francisco, however they still remained stock holders and directors of American Express Company. Of course, most of us know something of Wells Fargo- the history of an Express and Banking Co. made up of individualists, who battled for business every inch of the way who took risks, beat down and bought out their competitors, but never declined a chance to be of service - they made extra ordinary profits and paid astonishing dividends. The history of Wells Fargo is also the history of San Francisco and the California Gold Rush. Wells Fargo was a symbol of faith- one could hire the company to do any chore, from escorting wives to California or to delivering a battalion of soldiers for Indian War-- Wells Fargo carried hundreds of millions dollars worth of gold dust and gold coin and no shipper ever lost a penny, speed and safety were the guiding principles and every man in the West believed, and relied on this.

Collectors items of the old Romantic Wells Fargo Company are unending: for the numismatist- rare tokens and "so-called dollars" were issued, also paper money and National Bank notes, early checks, money receipts, bills of exchange and certificates of all kinds, etc. For the gun buff, any authentic Wells Fargo weapon is a real prize and for the stamp collector, to round out any collection, the Wells Fargo Frank covers and Pony Express stamp are a must. If you're looking for something new and challenging, with a flavor of the old West, set started with a book on Wells Fargo, and your interest will never die

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— EXHIBIT WINNERS —

The exhibit winners at this year's CWNA SPRING SHOW were as follows.

U.S. COINS
1. James H. Ford, Thornton, Colo
2. Irby Downes, Boulder, Colo
3. Bernard Vasa, Ogallala, Neb

U.S. GOLD
1. G. Gundelfinger, Longmont, Colo
2. Patricia Davis, Denver, Colo
3. Alan Lockie, Boulder, Colo

WORLD COIN
1. Les Bloom, Denver, Colo
2. Larry Knee, Greeley, Colo
3. Franklin Kyle, Aurora, Colo

CURRENCY
1. Franklin Kyle, Aurora, Colo
2. Ken Pabian, Denver, Colo
3. Gary E. Lewis, Colo SprgsColo

MISC
1. Elmer Nelson, Grand Is., Neb
2. Bernard Vasa, Ogallala, Neb
3. Bill Lavine, Denver, Colo

PHIL and NUMISMATIC
1. Lucille Bloom, Denver, Colo
2. Mrs. Hoffman, Laramie, Wyo
3. Gerald Sewell, Denver, Colo

JUNIOR
1. Rona Davis, Denver, Colo
2. Randy Atkins, Denver, Colo
3. Mike Simmons, Denver, Colo

MOST POPULAR
1. L.M. Drake, Loveland, Colo

BEST OF SHOW (CWNA MEDALS)
1. Web Jones, Laramie, Wyo
2. Les Bloom, Denver, Colo
2. Franklin Kyle, Aurora, Colo

THANKS TO ALL for a very out standing group of exhibits. I hope all exhibitors will continue their efforts and encourage others to join in.

— FROM THE BOARD —

TO CONTINUE the policy of in cluding the minutes of board meetings the following is a report of the meeting held at the Loveland show Apr. 25 -(The report is slightly ed- ited to conserve space, but the verbatim report is avail able via tape recording).

Treasurer's report-read/app.

Discussion of fall show -- Tom Mason to conduct bourse operations
Ribbons, printing to be ob- tained in Laramie.

STANDING COMMITTEES
By-law revision- Suggested changes to be circulated to board members. Various com ments to be discussed at ne- xt meeting.
H. Boraker award- to be in cluded in fall show.
Show schedules- Considera- tion of Spring Show. Further discussion pro/con to be he- ld at next meeting.
-Trailer construction- Plan given to Ralph Smith for es- timate and comment. R. Davis to assist.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS -
Service Award for this year discussed and arrangements made to inform all clubs of requirements for nomination.
Additional bronze and gold medals to be ordered.
Life membership now 43. Per by-laws each should have bad ge.
Centralization of material and records to be completed.

IF you do not agree with the above actions or feel other items should be placed on a future agenda contact the bo ard member in your area or any other officer. Without your comments a collector or iented organization, such as CWNA will become ineffective.

R. Davis

— THOUGHTS ?! —

ON AN ASSUMPTION "No News is Good News" both CWNA and the newsletter are doing fine. I wonder if things are so bad if they are not worth 15 min and eight cents??

— NEW CLUBS —

So far little response to st arting a foreign only club. I still feel this field cou- ld provide a base for a very interesting club. I intend to contact many of you this summer, but until then let's hear your ideas.

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Error Collectors- Please con tact: Mr. Bill Lavine
1893 S. Filbert Court
Denver, Co. 80222
for info on an error club or as a program for your club.

— WHAT NOW ??? —

EXHIBITS AT the area shows have been a primary interest of mine for five years or so. The tremendous increase in the quantity and quality is, at least partly due to much effort made to inform and interest new exhibitors, but in the process one element has now become a larger problem. This is, of course, some method of providing a completely impartial, and ac curate method of judging the exhibits. With one or two po int separations now very com mon, area shows/clubs should concern themselves or we may now find interest starting to decrease, based on an in- ability to provide judging that is comparable and accu- rate from show to show. This matter includes everything from basic categories to the exhibit chairman's book-keep ing methods. You have heard my thoughts how about yours?

R. Davis

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—COMING NEXT ISSUE—

LEGAL TENDER WHAT?

MORE SHOW REPORTS

BOARD ACTIONS

STIMULATING COMMENTARY

EDUCATIONAL ARTICLE

JOIN CWNA NOW NOT LATER

SUPPORT THE MINT AND POST OFFICE - ORDER PROOF DOLLARS-

SHARE THIS NEWSLETTER WITH A FRIEND OR YOUR FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS

IS YOURS AN EDUCATED CLUB? TRY A 20 QUESTION QUIZ AT YOUR NEXT MEETING, THEN ANSWER.

Application for Membership - Cut on this line and mail to CWNA

Admission Charge $1.00
Yearly dues $2.00

PRINT FULL NAME

MAILING ADDRESS

Date and year of birth

CITY

A.N.A. Number (if any)

STATE ZIP

Occupation

I herewith apply for membership in the Colorado-Wyoming Numismatic Association subject to the By-laws of said Association, and agree to abide by the code of ethics as adopted by the Association.

Signature of applicant